

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

INDICTMENT FOR FALSE DOCUMENTS AND FINANCIAL AID FRAUD

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

CRIMINAL NO.

SECTION:

ANTHONY JUAN WALKER a/k/a Anthony John Walker a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli OBIALUNAMMA AGUBUZU

v.

VIOLATION: 18 U.S.C. § 1001 18 U.S.C. § 2

20 U.S.C. § 1097(a)

The Grand Jury charges that:

A. AT ALL TIMES MATERIAL HEREIN:

1. The United States Department of Education (USDOE) provided financial aid in the form of grants and guaranteed loans to eligible students to help defray the cost of their post secondary education. The Federal Family Educational Loan Program (FFELP) (formerly the Guaranteed Student Loan Program) provides low interest loans to eligible students attending post secondary institutions. FFELP loans were made by private lenders and guaranteed by a guarantee agency, which in turn, was reinsured by USDOE, in case the student borrower defaulted. Loan proceeds were distributed by the lender, directly to the post secondary institution by check copayable to the student and post secondary institution or by electronic funds transfer. These loans

were provided under the Higher Education Act of 1965, found in Subchapter IV of Chapter 28 of Title 20, United States Code.

- 2. A student was eligible to receive Title IV funds if the student was a regular student enrolled or accepted for enrollment in an eligible program at an eligible institution. To receive FFEL, a student had to be at least a half time student.
- 3. Students applied for financial aid under the Higher Education Act by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form, either by mailing it or electronically transmitting it to a USDOE processing center. The FAFSA contained basic information regarding a student's identity and economic status and was used to determine the student's eligibility to obtain federal financial aid funds.
- 4. Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center located in New Orleans,

 Louisiana, was an educational institution which participated in federal student financial programs administered by the USDOE.

COUNT ONE

5. On or about August 4, 2008 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of Education, a department of the United States, the defendant, ANTHONY JUAN WALKER, a/k/a Anthony John Walker; a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli knowingly and willfully made and used and caused to be made and used a false document, knowing the same to contain a false, fictitious and fraudulent material statement, in that, in connection with applying for admission to Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and for Federal Financial aid under the Higher Education Act, the defendant, ANTHONY JUAN WALKER, a/k/a Anthony John Walker; a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli

submitted and caused to be submitted to Louisiana State University a false and fraudulent college transcript from Cornell University, which he knew contained: 1) a false claim of having taken the prerequisite science courses required for Dental School Admission; 2) a false grade point average; and 3) a forged signature of the Cornell University Registrar, when in truth and in fact the defendant knew he had not taken the prerequisite science courses, did not have the claimed grade point average and the document had not been signed by the Cornell University Registrar; in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 1001 (a)(3) and 2.

COUNT TWO

6. On or about August 4, 2008 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of Education, a department of the United States, the defendant, ANTHONY JUAN WALKER, a/k/a Anthony John Walker; a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli knowingly and willfully made and used and caused to be made and used a false document, knowing the same to contain a false, fictitious and fraudulent material statement, in that, in connection with applying for admission to Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and for Federal Financial aid under the Higher Education Act, the defendant ANTHONY JUAN WALKER, a/k/a Anthony John Walker; a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli submitted and caused to be submitted to Louisiana State University false and fraudulent American Dental Association Dental Admission test results which he knew contained a false Academic Average of 24 with a 96.1 Percentile when in truth and in fact the defendant knew his actual Dental Admission test results were lower; in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 1001 (a)(3) and 2.

COUNT THREE

7. On or about August 4, 2008 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, defendant ANTHONY JUAN WALKER, a/k/a Anthony John Walker; a/k/a Anthony John Fracaroli, knowingly and willfully obtained and attempted to obtain by fraud and false statement, funds in the amount of \$40,072 provided from loans under the Federal Family Education Loan Program, in that he applied to Louisiana State University School of Dentistry, relying on a false and fraudulent college transcript and Dental Admission test score report; in violation of Title 20 United States Code, Section 1097 (a).

COUNT FOUR

8. On or about August 4, 2008 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of Education, a department of the United States, the defendant, OBIALUNAMMA AGUBUZU, knowingly and willfully made and used and caused to be made and used a false document, knowing the same to contain a false, fictitious and fraudulent material statement, in that, in connection with applying for admission to Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and for Federal Financial aid under the Higher Education Act, the defendant, OBIALUNAMMA AGUBUZU submitted and caused to be submitted to Louisiana State University, a false and fraudulent college transcript from Cornell University, which she knew contained: 1) a false claim of having taken the prerequisite science courses required for Dental School Admission; 2) a false grade point average; and 3) a forged signature of the Cornell University Registrar when in truth and in fact the defendant knew she had not taken the prerequisite science courses, did not have the claimed grade point average and the

document had not been signed by the Cornell University Registrar; in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 1001 (a)(3) and 2.

COUNT FIVE

9. On or about August 4, 2008 in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, in a matter within the jurisdiction of the Department of Education, a department of the United States, the defendant, OBIALUNAMMA AGUBUZU, knowingly and willfully made and used and caused to be made and used a false document, knowing the same to contain a false, fictitious and fraudulent material statement, in that, in connection with applying for admission to Louisiana State University School of Dentistry and for Federal Financial aid under the Higher Education Act, she submitted and caused to be submitted to Louisiana State University, false and fraudulent American Dental Association Dental Admission test results which she knew contained a false Academic Average of 19 with a 77.6 Percentile when in truth and in fact the defendant knew that she had not taken the Dental Admission Test; in violation of Title 18 United States Code, Sections 1001 (a)(3) and 2.

COUNT SIX

10. On or about August 4, 2008, in the Eastern District of Louisiana and elsewhere, defendant **OBIALUNAMMA AGUBUZU**, knowingly and willfully obtained and attempted to obtain by fraud and false statement, funds in the amount of \$35,572 provided from loans under the Federal Family Education Loan Program, in that she applied to Louisiana State University

School of Dentistry, relying on a false and fraudulent college transcript and Dental Admission test score reports; in violation of Title 20, United States Code, Section 1097 (a).

A TRUE BILL:

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